

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International Application No
PCT/EP2004/006823

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER
IPC 7 G01N27/414

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)
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Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

EPO-Internal, WPI Data, PAJ, COMPENDEX, EMBASE, INSPEC, BIOSIS, MEDLINE

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
A	WO 00/26019 A (STEWART MICHAEL P ; BURIAK JILLIAN M (US); PURDUE RESEARCH FOUNDATION) 11 May 2000 (2000-05-11) page 1, line 27 - page 3, line 29 page 8, line 21 - page 9, line 23 -----	1-3
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Box II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

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1. claims: 1-3, 7-12 (in part),

A method of manufacturing a device by forming patterned alkylmonolayers on a Si surface via irradiation mediated formation of SiO₂.

2. claims: 4-6, 7-12 (in part), 14-17, 18 (in part), 19

A method of manufacturing a device by forming patterned alkylmonolayers containing different components.

3. claims: 12 (in part), 18 (in part), 20

Method of coupling an oligosaccharide or oligopeptide derivative to a silicon surface via covalent Si-C bonds.

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